

**To Raise Five Thousand Dollars for the University.**

- 30 Secularists,  
 P. C. Mosier, will give. \$50  
 Lou Ames will give. 50  
 A Friend will give. 50  
 D. Buckingham will give. 50  
 A. Slaman, M. D., will give. 50  
 R. C. Burtis will give. 50  
 A Friend will give. 50  
 C. F. Ames will give. 50  
 P. Rauch will give. 50  
 D. Bolton will give. 50  
 Harry Fricker will give. 50  
 E. Stewart will give. 50  
 A Friend will give. 50  
 Mr. Hjermstad, }  
 Friend from Waldo Hills } 50  
 H. Allen will give. 50  
 L. E. Fuller will give. 50  
 F. Wilkinson will give. 50  
 J. E. Brooks will give. 50  
 Julius Fisher. 50  
 Adolf Wolf & Son. 50  
 J. K. Buff. 50  
 B. A. Leonard. 50  
 A Freethinker. } 50  
 Warren Carsner will give. 50  
 J. L. Barnhouse will give. 50  
 John Madden will pay. 50  
 Alex. Hardie will pay. 50  
 Mrs. E. J. Smith will give. 50  
 Cal Geer will give. 50  
 provided that

70 more men (or women) will give the same amount. Where are the seventy?



Teams and men are very busy in Silverton this time of year.

We expect our business manager home before the next issue of the Torch.

Silverton is nearly depopulated on account of work in the hopfields. But if they go away they will come again.

Now as the time draws near for school to begin, look out for misrepresentations. If you are in doubt on any question call on us or write.

Write to Col. Ingersoll today and ask him to donate the proceeds of one lecture to the Liberal University. His address is 220 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

For several days this week a long line of teams loaded with wheat waited hour after hour for their turn to be unloaded at our popular flouring mill and elevator.

The sneers and jeers of the "I-told-you-so's" are the least of our troubles when our work is delayed. What we want is to do all we can while we have life to awake the world from its nightmare of superstition.

In order to have that degree of success that is necessary to gain the respect of the world, the Liberal University must have help. Do what you can yourself and don't forget to write and ask your Freethought friends to help also.

Hop-picking is now the work of thousands and thousands of people in the Willamette valley.

The University will again open its doors to the world October 3d. Students of all ages, sects and grades will be heartily welcomed and given our most careful attention.

The following note has been received at our office:

Camp Ames, Aug. 27.— Very nearly settled in camp, ready to begin picking hops tomorrow. All well and happy. Never was camped with an Infidel crowd before and never received such good usage. Am perfectly delighted, and if I can glean as much money as good feeling will feel doubly compensated.  
 N. P. T.

Woodworkers, don't forget to send an order for a set of the Forstner Auger Bits. Price \$2.60, by mail. See ad.

**Those who Should Help to Build the Liberal University.**

1. Those who know the value of a good education.
2. Those who sympathize with and know the needs of our young men and young women.
3. Those who realize that the most important time in the child's life is when the foundation is being built.
4. Those who believe that religious dogmas should not be taught in schools, but the purest morality instead.
5. Those who love liberty of thought.
6. Those who believe that the privilege of unlimited investigation is necessary for the upbuilding of character and a true education.

**Those who Should Attend the Liberal University.**

Those who desire more mental strength.

Those whose early education has been neglected, and who now realize the embarrassments that confront them with their limited learning.

Those whose aims and purposes are lofty and grand.

Those whose means are limited and whose ideals are not reached.

Those who desire to empty some intellectual and material treasures into the great storehouse of civilization.

Secularists would you not like to have some letterheads printed with Secular sentiment and Wettstein's Freethought badge, to use in correspondence with your friends? We will furnish them to you with your name and address printed on them for 75 cents per hundred, \$1.50 for 250, or \$2.50 for 500, post paid. Let the people know where you stand.

Are you acquainted with the merits of the Forstner auger bit?



Love the preachers and keep their commandments, for this is the sole duty of woman.

Some who claim to be Freethinkers are bad, but the Christian lie is mostly accountable for it.

God made man in his own image. What man in the world today looks the most like God?

No wonder the hypocrites who are taught to sing, "Jesus loves even me," think everything is possible with God.

Love your risen lord and keep on cheating your fallen brothers, and you'll get to heaven sure! Let us pray!

It is about time that the poor hoodwinked people who have swallowed the priests' whale stories spewed them up and let them (the stories) do their work in heathen lands.

If modern science, which teaches evolution, is true, according to the bible, God is in the form of an ape-like creature, for he is the same yesterday, today and forever, and he made man in his own image. There's a mistake somewhere.

**Club Rates.**

The Weekly Oregonian is the best newspaper published in the Pacific Northwest. The subscription price is \$1.50 per year. We will give it, together with the Torch of Reason, for the exceedingly low price of \$1.75. You will get two papers for a little more than the price of one.

**Lumber Fund.**

To raise \$1000 immediately:

Previously acknowledged	\$298.95
Benjamin Duval	.50
J. Henry Schroeder	2.00
J. H. Fisk	3.00
Mrs. M. M. Turner	19.00
H. B. Purdin	1.00
R. Humphreys	1.00
E. Straube	5.00
A. Straube	5.00
H. Frost	1.00
J. B. Edinglon	10.00
Mrs. E. J. Smith	50.00
W. A. Tureman	5.00

There is too much light today for God to perform miracles.

One of the grimmest practical jokes of recent times is that reported in the papers in connection with the dynamite explosion. A wag laid a parcel labelled "Infernal Machines" where it was sure to create a fright. It contained bibles! Ay, the bible has been the most infernal of all infernal machines for poor humanity.

Remember if you send us the names and addresses of 25 of your Liberal friends and acquaintances, we will make you a present of a copy of the Torch of Reason Song Book No. 1. This will only cost you a few minutes' work and a 2 cent stamp.

**Information Bureau**

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT? If so, make your wants known to us, and we will try and supply them. If what we do for you is worth nothing to you, we will expect no pay. Cast your eye over the list, and then write to us. Read our ad. on page 6. Address, INFORMATION BUREAU, Box 100. SILVERTON, ORE.

**20 Men Wanted.**—If you are a Secularist and have \$500 to invest it will pay you to write to the Information Bureau. In writing state your age, family if any, occupation and views in regard to religion. 12

**Agents.**—Agents wanted to sell the Forstner Auger Bit. Money can be made. Send 60c for sample, or \$2.60 for full set packed in neat box. 13

**80 acres.**—About four miles from Silverton; small, unfinished house; about 5 acres cleared; \$600. Better see it. 11

**Who Wishes to Invest?**—104 acres of as good bottom land as there is in the state of Washington. Was offered \$10,000 for naked land 12 years ago. Sixteen cows, 9 heifers, 3 horses, wagon, harnesses, plows, harrows, dairy and utensils, 9 hogs, 6 pigs, 60 to 65 tons hay, hay bailer, good boat, tide water at door, 2 houses, 2 barns, spring water at both houses, berries of all kinds. Owner has milked 35 cows and kept 21 head of young stock, cutting plenty of hay from this excellent dairy and stock ranch, which he now offers, with all stock, produce and improvements, for \$5500. Write to the Information Bureau at once. 1

**For Sale.**—A fine little house in Silverton, with one acre of land, for only \$285. "First come, first served." 4

**For Sale or Trade.**—A farm, about 30 miles south of The Dalles, 320 acres, in good school district of about 100 scholars; county road crossing Cascade mountains, daily mail, short distance to saw-mill and flouring mill, two stores, blacksmith shop, free wood and an unlimited mountain range; box house 16x22 with kitchen and woodshed added, good brick fireplace, both up and downstairs ceiled with matched lumber; post barn 20x32; 3 miles of good fence, 120 acres in cultivation, about 50 more ready for plow. The owner holds deed from government. Price \$2000. Would trade for a place in Silverton of equal or less value. The price of the place is based on its money-making capacity, and it is now paying a good income. We will investigate any offer made. 2

**For Sale.**—A fine little home in Silverton—1/2-acre; apples, prunes, raspberries, cherries, pears; neat little house, painted and papered; good sidewalk. Price, \$450. 3

**Wanted.**—A buyer for a well equipped livery stable. Good horses, good buggies, good harnesses, etc. Cheap. Write to us. 8

**School Teacher.**—A gentleman with thirty years' experience in the school room, who holds a teacher's state certificate, would like employment as teacher. Can teach vocal and instrumental music. 9

**Secularists Wanted.**—Secularists who are thoroughly interested in the cause are wanted to help build up a Secular community near Silverton, Oregon. It is thought best that each member of the community own a little home of his or her own, which can VERY EASILY be obtained. Write to us. 10

**Real Estate for Sale.**—80 acres, house and barn, good orchard, all fenced, 8 miles from Silverton, near school, 35 acres improved, on main road. Price \$800. 5

Twenty acres; 15 acres improved, all fenced, good spring, 1 1/2 miles from Silverton. Price \$700. 6

One hundred and sixty acres; 12 acres cleared, 4 miles from Silverton. Price \$300. 7